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Applicant : Neal A. Brown
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Applicant calls attention to the attached Information Disclosure Statement and documents listed on form PTO-1449; copies of which are enclosed.

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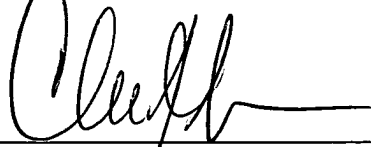
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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609 are earnestly solicited along with an early action on the merits.

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